

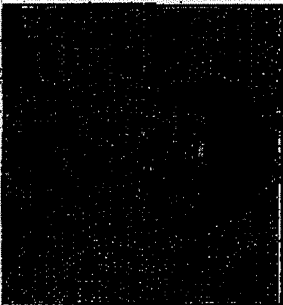
Reese man charged with copper theft

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REESE — It took some good old fashioned police work to track down a suspect in the theft of copper wire from the Dykhouse Pickle Company.

With the help of area law enforcement, the suspects have been located and one suspect, Jeffrey Scott Shelters Jr., has been arrested and charged with stealing nearly 1,500 feet of rubber coated wire.

The Bay City Police Department got the tip from Crime Stoppers and just through some good old fashioned police work we tracked them



SHELTERS

The suspects have also been linked to another theft of copper wire from the Michigan Sugar

down," said Company "Giltford Station" piling grounds, Tuscola County Sheriff Jim Undersheriff Jim Tashinske. "Our guys got the information from the Bay City Police Department helping us and Reese helped us and then bango."

Sheriff deputies report the wire was sold in Bay City and Saginaw. The Dykhouse Pickle Company reports an estimate by an electrical contractor of \$18,100 to repair the damaged equipment.

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